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Applicant : Urbano TERZIANI
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For : SEMI-FINISHED ARTICLE, PROCESS
AND PRODUCT RELATING TO GOLD,
JEWELRY AND THE LIKE
Group Art Unit : 3677
Examiner : Not Assigned

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Applicant submits herewith information which he believes may be material to examination of this Application, in respect of which there may be a duty to disclose in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97.

While this Information Disclosure Statement may be material pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is not intended to constitute an admission that the information referred to therein is "prior art" to Applicant's invention unless designated as such.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97, the filing of this Statement shall not be construed to be an admission that the information attached to this Statement is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

By this submission, Applicant also does not represent that a search has been made nor that better art does not exist.

In addition, Applicant reserves the right to contend, as appropriate, that any information asserted against any claim(s) of the captioned Application is not “prior art” according to the facts and the law.

Applicant further reserves the right to present appropriate arguments and/or evidence to establish patentability over such information, should any citation listed below be applied against any claim(s) of the captioned Application.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner, after considering the information set forth below, independently determine those citations which the Examiner would consider to be the most pertinent.

Copies of the following citations are submitted along with PTO Form-1449.

Stark, U.S. Patent No. 4,448,017, dated May 15, 1984: relates to a jewelry chain loop element and method of assembly.

Wahlbeck, U.S. Patent No. 3,720,391, dated March 13, 1973: is directed to a band of parallel, oppositely curbed chains soldered together at the link solder joints.

Fassnacht, U.S. Patent No. 1,796,362, dated March 17, 1931: concerns an ornamental chain.


Gyorffy, FR 1 599 081, dated July 15, 1970: is entitled “nouveaux éléments décoratifs et leur procédé de fabrication”. (See page 1, figure 1).

A copy of the European Search Report for European Patent Application No. EP 04 42 5149 is also provided.

It is requested that the above be made of record in this Application.

Respectfully submitted,

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